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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

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STATE OF WASHINGTON

COMINCO AMERICAN INCORPORATED

Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of Cominco American Incorporated are herein executed by said Corporation pursuant to the provision of RCW 23B.10.060 and 23B.01.200 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, as follows:

- 1. The name of the Corporation is COMINCO AMERICAN INCORPORATED.
- 2. The amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of said Corporation is as follows:

ARTICLE I shall be amended to read as follows:

"I. NAME

The name of this Corporation shall be TECK COMINCO AMERICAN INCORPORATED."

- 3. The date of the adoption of said amendment by the directors of the Corporation is July 23, 2001.
- 4. The amendment was adopted by the director without shareholder action in accordance with RCW 23B.10.020, and shareholder action was not required.
- 5. The amendment does not provide for the exchange, reclassification, or cancellation if issued shares.
 - 6. The amendment shall be effective July 27, 2001, at 12:01 a.m.

DATED this 25th day of July, 2001.

COMINCO AMERICAN INCORPORATED

C. Bruce DiLuzio, Secretary

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